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In response to the April 10, 2002, written restriction requirement, applicants hereby elect Group I (i.e., claims 1-20) with traverse. However, applicants submit that the claimed subject matter of the different groups identified in the outstanding office action are closely related and, therefore, would require common areas of search and consideration. Since no benefit is derived from imposing this restriction requirement, it should be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

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